UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

36257

7590

04/11/2005

PARSONS HSUE & DE RUNTZ LLP 655 MONTGOMERY STREET SUITE 1800 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111 EXAMINER

LARKIN, DANIEL SEAN

ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER

2856

DATE MAILED: 04/11/2005

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/729,609	12/05/2003	Thomas McWaid	TNCR.169US2	2888

TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM FOR SENSING A SAMPLE

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO	\$1400	\$300	\$1700	07/11/2005

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE REFLECTS A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE APPLIED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE PTOL-85B (OR AN EQUIVALENT) MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THIS PERIOD EVEN IF NO FEE IS DUE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED.

HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

- A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.
- B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

- A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or
- B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.
- II. PART B FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL should be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Even if the fee(s) have already been paid, Part B Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and returned. If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted.
- III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send this form, together with applicable fee(s), to: Mail

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

(703) 746-4000 or <u>Fax</u>

INSTRUCTIONS: This form should be used for transmitting the ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Blocks 1 through 5 should be completed where

indicated unless corrected t maintenance fee notification	pelow or directed otherwise	in Block 1, by (a)	lers and noti specifying a	ification of a new corre	maintenance fees wespondence address;	rill be mailed to the current and/or (b) indicating a separ	correspondence address as rate "FEE ADDRESS" for	
CURRENT CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS (Note: Use Block I for any change of address) 36257 7590 04/11/2005				Fe pa	Note: A certificate of mailing can only be used for domestic mailings of the Fee(s) Transmittal. This certificate cannot be used for any other accompanying papers. Each additional paper, such as an assignment or formal drawing, must have its own certificate of mailing or transmission.			
				па		<u>-</u>		
655 MONTGOME SUITE 1800 SAN FRANCISCO				I h Sta ad tra	Cer tereby certify that the ates Postal Service values dressed to the Mai ansmitted to the USP	tificate of Mailing or Trans us Fee(s) Transmittal is being with sufficient postage for firs I Stop ISSUE FEE address TO (703) 746–4000, on the d	mission g deposited with the United at class mail in an envelope above, or being facsimile ate indicated below.	
SAN FRANCISCO), CA 34111			۲			(Depositor's name)	
							(Signature)	
							(Date)	
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE		FIRST NAME	D INVENTO	R	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/729,609	12/05/2003		Thomas	McWaid		TNCR.169US2	2888	
	YSTEM FOR SENSING A S	AMPLE						
APPLN, TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FE	3E	PUBI	ICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE	
nonprovisional	NO	\$1400			\$300	\$1700	07/11/2005	
EXAM	IINER	ART UNIT		CLAS	SS-SUBCLASS]		
LARKIN, DA	ANIEL SEAN	2856	56 073-105000		73-105000	_		
1. Change of correspondence	e address or indication of "Fe	ee Address" (37	-	_	patent front page, li			
CFR 1.363).	dence address (or Change of	Correspondence	(1) the na	mes of up OR, alterna	to 3 registered pater tively.	nt attorneys		
Address form PTO/SB/1	22) attached.		(2) the name of a single firm (having as a member a registered attorney or agent) and the names of up to					
"Fee Address" indica PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-02 Number is required.	tion (or "Fee Address" Indica or more recent) attached. Use	ition form e of a Customer	2 registere	ed patent at name will b	torneys or agents. If	no name is 3		
	RESIDENCE DATA TO B							
PLEASE NOTE: Unless recordation as set forth in	s an assignee is identified be a 37 CFR 3.11. Completion	elow, no assignee of this form is NO	data will app Γa substitute	pear on the for filing a	patent. If an assign n assignment.	nee is identified below, the d	locument has been filed for	
(A) NAME OF ASSIGN	EE	(В) RESIDEN	CE: (CITY	and STATE OR CO	UNTRY)		
Please check the appropriate	e assignee category or catego	ries (will not be pri	inted on the p	patent):	Individual 🗖 C	orporation or other private gr	oup entity Government	
4a. The following fee(s) are	enclosed:	4b	. Payment of	f Fœ(s):				
Issue Fee			A check in the amount of the fee(s) is enclosed.					
Publication Fee (No small entity discount permitted) Advance Order - # of Copies			☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized by charge the required fee(s), or credit any overpayment, to					
Advance Order - # o	r Copies		Deposit Acc	count Numb	per	(enclose an extra c	copy of this form).	
	(from status indicated above SMALL ENTITY status. See		Db. Applie	cant is no le	onger claiming SMA	LL ENTITY status. See 37 C	FR 1.27(g)(2).	
						ely paid issue fee to the applications and attorney or agent; or t		
Authorized Signature					Date			
Typed or printed name								
					_			
an application. Confidential submitting the completed a this form and/or suggestion	lity is governed by 35 U.S.C pplication form to the USPT is for reducing this burden, s	. 122 and 37 CFR O. Time will vary hould be sent to the	1.14. This co depending u e Chief Infor	ollection is upon the inc mation Off	estimated to take 12 dividual case. Any c icer, U.S. Patent and	the public which is to file (an minutes to complete, includi comments on the amount of ti I Trademark Office, U.S. Dep	ng gathering, preparing, and me you require to complete partment of Commerce, P.O.	

Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO. FILING DATE		FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/729,609 12/05/2003		Thomas McWaid	TNCR.169US2	2888	
36257	7590 04/11/2005		EXAMINER		
	SUE & DE RUNTZ LL	LARKIN, DANIEL SEAN			
SUITE 1800	MERY STREET		ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111			2856	- -	
			DATE MAILED: 04/11/2005		

Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 0 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 0 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571) 272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at (703) 305-8283.